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"Handle Deployment Mechanism for Medical Device And Method"

Dear Examiner,

The following Amendment After Final Rejection responds to an Office Action dated October 4, 2004.

I appreciate your attention and consideration in this matter.

Best regards

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